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## **OFFICE ACTION**

### ***Reply Brief Noted***

[1] The reply brief filed 16 January 2009 has been entered and considered. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for a decision on the appeal.

### ***Conclusion***

[2] Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to R. DAVID RINES whose telephone number is (571) 272-5585. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30am - 5:00pm Mon-Fri.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jerry O'Connor can be reached on (571) 272-6787. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (571) 273-8300.

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